

CONSTELLATION'S USEFULNESS ENDS

Historic Frigate Finds Last
Berth at New York.

WON MANY SEA VICTORIES

Known as Water Witch—Distinguished
Naval Heroes Served Apprenticeship on Her Decks.

NEW YORK, June 17.—From Newport, where for the past ten years she has been in service as a receiving ship for navy apprentices, the Constellation, oldest ship of the navy, has been brought to the New York navy yard and made fast to the Cob dock, where she will await such fate as the Navy Department has in store for her. Her place at Newport has been taken by one of the vessels of the new navy.

Under command of Lieut. A. A. Pratt the Constellation was brought down in tow of the navy tug, the Constellation, and the crew of thirteen which she had on board returned to Newport by the tug.

Built in 1797.

Aside from the Constellation, the Constellation is the most notable of the fine old oak ribbed ships which this nation's fleet in the early part of its history. Built in Baltimore in 1797, all of the art of the patient shipwrights of her time seems to have lived in her hull, as less than a dozen years ago saw her voyaging across the Atlantic with the French government's exhibit to the Chicago Fair, stowed in her hold and about her deck.

Her Baltimore architects also put into the craft some of those lines which subsequently made the clipper from that port famous around the world.

"Water Witch."

Always fast on every point of sailing, the Constellation became known as the "water witch," and throughout the early part of the last century her fame as the fastest frigate afloat went far and wide.

In 1812 years a ship of war can crowd in many exciting experiences. The first notable one came to the Constellation two years after she went afloat.

There are many hoping that some day some one will write the story of the encounter with the French frigate, the *L'Insurgente*, which took place off Guadalupe. The vessels engaged in the early afternoon, and the conflict the Frenchman struck her colors.

Eleven Men Against Three Hundred.

Lieut. John Rodgers, with Midshipman David Porter and eleven men, were sent on board the prize, whose decks were then crowded with seventy killed and wounded. But there were still 300 unharmed on board, when a sudden squall separated the Constellation from her prize.

How the *Mersey* prisoners were kept subdued, of how the ship, crippled as she was by the fire of the Constellation, was handled, and how the wounded were cared for in this crisis, is something which historians have never adequately told.

But somehow Rodgers and his men managed it, and three days later brought the prize to port.

A short time later the Constellation engaged the *Vengeance*, another French frigate, but although the latter was badly shattered, she managed to escape, darkness favoring her flight.

The Constellation later took part in the war with Tripoli and was again conspicuous in the war of 1812.

Her Distinguished Officers.

She is ship rigged and was originally classed as a forty-four gun ship. Later the number of her guns was reduced and heavier ones substituted, and the vessel rated as a thirty-six. The vessel has been in the training service almost since the civil war.

During her long career the Constellation has been commanded by many officers whose names are now inscribed in the navy's hall of fame. First of these was Commodore Truxton, who commanded the frigate when she fought the *L'Insurgente* and the *Vengeance*. He was succeeded by Capt. A. Murray, who had command during her Tripolitan experiences.

Later came Capt. John Cassin, who directed her movements at the time when she was in action with the *barge* of the British Admiral Cockburn, three of which she sunk, killing and wounding ninety men and taking forty-three prisoners.

JUDGE DAY WILL PROBE ALASKAN COURT SCANDAL

By direction of the President a thorough investigation of the Alaskan court scandals will be made. The three Federal judges of that Territory and the two United States district attorneys have been accused of discrimination in favor of corporations. The President has requested William A. Day, assistant to the Attorney General, to go to Alaska to conduct the inquiry, which will be made on broad lines. Mr. Day will leave Washington for Alaska within the next ten days.

NEWS FROM ROCKVILLE.

ROCKVILLE, Md., June 17.—The Rockville Academy commencement exercises were held in the town hall here on Wednesday evening. The hall was prettily decorated for the occasion, and a large number of patrons and friends were present.

The medalists were: Hattie B. MacFarland, scholarship; F. Bache Abert, languages; Arthur M. Isherwood, mathematics; Margaret T. Stokes, junior.

The honor list comprised: F. Bache Abert, Dan J. Carr, Reginald T. Friebus, W. Gay Hicks, L. Faret Hicks, Mary Hurley, Arthur M. Isherwood, Hattie B. MacFarland, Kate L. Packard, Margaret T. Stokes, James K. Wilson. The graduates were: Hattie MacFarland, Mary Hurley, and Bache Abert.

The next quarterly meeting of the Anti-Saloon League, of Montgomery county, will be held at Damascus, tomorrow, in picnic style. The executive committee will meet at 10 a. m. Public meetings will be held at 11 a. m. and 2 p. m. Governor Warfield expects to be present, and address the meetings; also Rev. A. C. Grise, superintendent of the State league; Charles W. Prettyman, of the Rockville bar, and others.

On Wednesday evening the town council held a meeting to consider the railroad question. General Harries, of the railroad company, having returned from Europe, the clerk to the council was instructed to communicate with him, and arrange for a date for a meeting between the company's representative and the mayor and council. The council also determined to make further investigations looking to the rehabilitation of the electric light machinery, for the purpose of lighting the streets.

Special Rate, \$3.50 Every Saturday
During summer, good returning until Monday, Norfolk & Wash. Steamboat Co.

Deported Miners Drink Water From Locomotive

Bread and Beans Provided at the State Line.
Many Make Their Way Back—Money Sent to Them.

ANTONITO, Col., June 17.—The special train carrying the thirty-five deported Cripple Creek miners has arrived in Antonito.

The men were taken from the train at this place and photographed, put aboard the train again, and taken six miles below the town to the New Mexico line. Here they were taken from the train and again photographed and marched across the line.

Bread and Beans Provided.

They were each given a loaf of bread and a can of beans. Some of the men ate the food given them and others threw it away.

The officers supplied them with can openers and drinking cups and they were allowed to draw water to drink from the locomotive which pulled their train. The men were supplied with food by the officers en route.

After the men were across the line beyond the jurisdiction of the Colorado militia they amused themselves by haranguing the officers.

As soon as the train left them the men started back to Antonito, where they had friends, who took up a collection and paid for a good breakfast at a hotel.

The men were in nowise mistreated by the militia, except that they were kept under strict discipline. They were not allowed to accept money or food from anyone other than the militia, and were allowed to talk to no one, or leave the cars. The report that money was taken from them is untrue.

Back to Alamosa.

About twenty-five of the men boarded a freight train here and went back to Alamosa. The others are faring well here at the hotel.

President Haywood sent them \$75 by mail and directed them to work their way back to Colorado City.

Many of the deported men are not miners, but are sympathizers. What Haywood's further plans are in regard to them the men do not know.

BARON'S THREE SHOTS WIN A SILVER CUP

Von Sternburg, at Schuetzenfest, Decorates President
Kroeger—Guest of Honor at National Bund's Festival.

NEW YORK, June 17.—Baron Speck von Sternburg, the Imperial German ambassador, was the guest of honor yesterday at the National Schuetzen Bund's shooting festival at Schuetzen Park, Union Hill.

He was received at the castle by President Henry Kroeger and officers of the Bund. He made a speech in German and decorated Mr. Kroeger with Emperor William II's token of the German national organization.

The decoration was a solid gold German eagle on a black band.

The Baron visited the ranges and fired three shots. He was presented with a

handsome silver cup. He also inspected the bowling alley and watched the bowlers for a while. He held a reception at the park last night.

This message was received from Mayor McClellan, who had planned to visit the big festival yesterday:

"I am compelled to go to Riker's Island to see what aid can be rendered to the victims of the recent terrible disaster. This will, of course, prevent me from following out our plan for this afternoon. I regret this fact extremely, but feel that you will agree with me in saying that, however regrettable the fact may be, it can have no weight when opposed to the greater obligation which I am subjected to by yesterday's disaster."

JUDGE CREATES PANIC AT A MURDER TRIAL

Declares Building Unsafe—A Rush to
Get Out—Court in Opera House.

NEVADA, Mo., June 17.—The trial of ex-State Representative Dr. J. D. Todd for killing Robert F. Wall, a wealthy citizen of Richards, on May 23, was called in the Vernon county circuit court by Judge Timmonds, who announced that owing to the deplorable condition of the building court would be dismissed to meet at Moore's Opera House. The court was crowded and there was something of a panic in the rush to get out and to escape being trampled to death.

One hundred and seventy witnesses were summoned from Richards, where every business was suspended, only the postoffice remaining open.

Only about half of ex-Representative Todd's witnesses have testified. Todd shot Wall three times, although the latter drew no weapon. Todd's plea will be self-defense.

United States Senator W. J. Stone, a particular friend of the slain man, has been employed by the Wall heirs for the trial.

FARM HAND HAS MANIA FOR WRECKING TRAINS

His Father Was Killed in Railroad
Disaster and He Was Thrown
Off the Cars.

SCHENEVUS, N. Y., June 17.—Allenists have an interesting subject in George Davis, a farm hand, arrested here for an attempt to wreck a Delaware and Hudson train. By his confession the prisoner has developed an insane antipathy to railroads, alleging that his father was killed in a railway disaster, and that he himself had been thrown off a train.

A farmer living near the Chautauque crossing refused him food and he piled ties on both tracks. The first train to encounter the obstruction was going at express speed, and the ties were hurled off the track. Davis was captured in a swamp near the station. He confessed his guilt to the physician called to examine him as to his sanity and to the court. He was found to be possessed of the one idea to wreck trains.

While waiting for the train that was to take him to Matteawan Asylum he claimed: "If it's late I would like to wreck that train, too!"

WORK UPON NAVY IN MONTH OF MAY

Battleship Ohio 94.5 Per
Cent Completed.

TO BE COMMISSIONED SOON

Armored Cruisers and Protected Ships
Pushed Along Rapidly—List
of the Vessels.

June 1 found the battleship Ohio 14 per cent nearer completion than it was on May 1. It is now 94.5 per cent completed in the ways at the Union Iron Works' yard in San Francisco, and should be commissioned this fall in case there be no unforeseen delay.

The battleship Virginia also made satisfactory progress in May. At the first of last month it was 53.4 per cent completed, and it is now 61.2 per cent finished. The battleship Rhode Island ranks third in degree of completion among the battleships now building, and is 60.7 per cent finished, as against a degree of 50.8 per cent at the beginning of May.

The New Jersey is now 58.7 per cent done, and the progress of the other battleships is as follows: Georgia, 4.13 per cent; Louisiana, 49.31; Nebraska, 49; Connecticut, 42.1; Minnesota, 29.39; Kansas, 9.6; Vermont, 4.9; Mississippi, 3.5; Idaho, 3.2.

The Armored Cruisers.

Even better progress was made by the armored cruisers now building than by the battleships. The West Virginia advanced from 83.4 per cent to 85.40 per cent in degree of completion. The Colorado progressed from 80.1 per cent to 84.9 per cent, and the Maryland advanced from 78.88 per cent to 82.8 per cent. The other armored cruisers show the following degree of completion: Pennsylvania, 80.5 per cent; California, 90.5; South Dakota, 57.5; Tennessee, 34.4; Washington, 29.3.

Of the protected cruisers the Chattanooga made the greatest progress in May, advancing from 80.1 per cent to 84.23 per cent in degree of completion. The Denver advanced from 99.5 per cent to 100 per cent, and the degree of completion of the other protected cruisers is as follows: Galveston, 81; Charleston, 73.1; St. Louis, 42.5; Milwaukee, 50.5.

The gunboat Albatross advanced from 40 per cent to 42.5 per cent, and the Paducah is now 35.7 per cent done, having progressed 2 per cent in May. The training ship Cumberland is now 42 per cent done, and its sister ship, Intrepid, is 23.3 per cent completed.

The torpedo boat, Goldsborough, Blakely, and Nicholson are 59 per cent completed, and did not make any progress in May. The Stirling is progressing from 93 to 95 per cent, and the O'Brien made no progress, and is still 98 per cent completed.

LECTURE ON YELLOWSTONE. "WONDERLAND OF AMERICA"

Barry Bulkley has returned from Bradford, Pa., where he delivered his lecture on "Yellowstone Park, the Wonderland of America," to a large audience at the New Bradford Theater. The lecture, which was delivered under the auspices of the John S. Melvin Post, No. 141, G. A. R., was most profitable to that organization.

The stereopticon views used by Mr. Bulkley are from photographs taken by Government officials. They were presented to the lecturer by the Secretary of the Interior, and are unusually beautiful. After the lecture a reception was tendered to Mr. Bulkley.

BLAINE INVINCIBLES WILL HOLD BARBECUE

This evening the Blaine Invincible Republican Club will celebrate the election of Dr. Robert Reymann and John F. Cook as delegates and James L. Turner and E. S. Vescott as alternates to the Chicago convention, and the twenty-eighth anniversary of the club with an old time roast and barbecue at Europa Park, Anacostia, D. C.

The delegates and alternates will be present and deliver addresses.

"Wheat King" Harper Goes Bankrupt on Iron

Former Head of Famous Grain Pool, Supposed to Be Again a Millionaire, Says
His Assets Are \$50.

BRISTOL, Tenn., June 17.—Edward L.

Harper, of New York city, who has an iron-producing business at Big Stone Gap, Va., where he was thought to be worth \$3,000,000, has filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States district court at Abingdon, Va.

Thus far no schedule of Harper's indebtedness has been placed on record, but the memorandum places his total liabilities at \$38,404.34, while his assets, according to the memorandum, consists of nothing except \$50 worth of clothing.

Mr. Harper is president of the Big Stone Gap Iron Company, which up to last fall was operating a 150-ton blast furnace. The company's property, besides the iron furnace, consists of iron mines and stone quarries in Wise and Lee counties, Va.

Mr. Harper is supposed to have been the principal stockholder in the iron company, and the people of southwest Virginia have looked upon him as the head of the iron-making business in Wise county, Va.

REVENUE SAILORS SAVE YACHTSMEN

Jackies Drag Three Men From a Watery
Grave in Lake Ontario Just
in Time.

OGDENSBURG, N. Y., June 17.—Jackies of the United States Revenue cutters of the United States, St. Andrews, James Mitchell, and Joseph Martin, whose boat had been capsized in the St. Lawrence River opposite this city.

A sudden puff of wind upset the sail boat, throwing the three men into the water. They clung upon the overturned boat.

The accident was witnessed by an officer on the deck of the Dallas, and he sent out a boat.

Just as the life-savers reached the imperiled yachtsmen a big excursion steamer nearly ran them down. The rescued men were thoroughly exhausted.

TAKEN TO TABRIZ FOR TRIAL.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 17.—Seld who murdered the Rev. Benjamin W. Labaree, son of Dr. Benjamin Labaree, superintendent of the American Mission, has been taken by the British consul to Tabriz, Persia, for trial.

SAYS HE CAN MAKE RADIUM CHEAPLY

Philadelphia Doctor Asserts He Will
Soon Produce Metal for Less Than
\$500,000 a Pound.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 16.—Dr. George F. Lees, of this city, declares he has discovered an electro-chemical process of manufacturing radium for less than \$500,000 a pound. At present the rare metal is valued at \$15,000,000 a pound.

Dr. Lees says he learned from the discoverers of radium in Paris that barium and thorium rock particles cling to radium. He set to work to thoroughly analyze these rocks and abstract their luminous properties.

In an old packing box which he rigged up in his laboratory he placed the combination of barium and thorium and found, after a time, that they produced a fluorescent substance that would penetrate metal. He declares it will be only a short time before he will be able to produce radium.

SIGSBEE OFF FOR PORTO RICO.

Rear Admiral Sigsbee has sailed on the flagship Newark from Puerto Plata, San Domingo, for San Juan, Porto Rico.

MOTHER'S DEATH SIGNAL FOR RAGE

Had Given Deeds to Estate
to Two Sons.

EACH TRIED TO FILE FIRST

Successful Hustler Loses Fruit of
Victory by Decision of
Court.

WATERBURY, Conn., June 17.—Before her death, Mrs. George Griley, of Waterbury, gave to each of her two sons, William F. Griley and Homer F. Atkins, a deed to her real estate in this city.

Each half brother claimed priority of deed over the other and bitter feeling resulted. The question was never settled while their mother was living. She refused to decide it.

Signal for Race.

When Mrs. Griley died William Griley was in New Haven. He heard the news over the telephone and came back to Waterbury as fast as a railroad train and an automobile, which he chartered at Ansonia, could bring him, determined to have his deed recorded first.

When the big automobile puffed up in front of Town Clerk Blair's office, Brother Homer Atkins was sitting on the steps.

"You're a little late, brother," he said. "I got here on my bicycle a few minutes ago."

Instituted Lawsuit.

Brother William Griley hustled to an attorney's office and started a lawsuit. Deputy Judge Pousley, who heard the case, listened to much evidence from relatives, neighbors, and servants.

He has handed down a decision holding that William Griley's deed had been drawn first and that consequently he was the owner of the land.

"Dam it," exclaimed Brother Atkins, "I had all that hustle for nothing."

TEACHER AT ANNAPOLIS.

ANNAPOLIS, June 17.—Nine civilian professors have been appointed at the Naval Academy. Among them is L. J. P. Carreta, of Boston, who is a son of a Spanish colonel of artillery, killed at Santiago. He is assigned to the department of modern languages.

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